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FREEDMAN et al

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AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2001, in the above matter, the period for response having been extended up to April 4, 2002, by submission of the required petition and fee herewith. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 2, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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